Disappearance of Improved Land in New England.

-[Hearth and Home. The census returns in New Hamp shire, and in Massachusetts, show a smaller area of improved land in 1870 than in 1860. Some have expressed surprise at this result, and have been led to question the accuracy of the census. We have no doubt the statement is true, not only of these States but of other northern and eastern States. There are portions of many farms once kept in meadow or in pasture, that are now turned out to wood, which grows luxuriantly, and is pay ing better interest upon the capital invested in it than it ever did, when kept under the plaw. Some of it is not even fenced, and the only cost to the owner is the taxes. The owners of these farms have discovered that it is much better policy for them to cultivate a few acres well, than to spread their tillage and manure over a large part of the farm. Seventy bushels of shelled corn and fifty bushels of oats to the acre, pays well A third of those crops only ran them in debt, and made miserable farming. The fact then indicated in this census state ment is not alarming but highly on couraging to our agricultural industry. There is still a very large area of rough pasture and meadow that ough to be turned out to forest. Some of it Three Months, needs sowing with the seeds of forest trees; but a good deal of it would One Month start very soon into timber without may sowing. The great advantage of sowing is, that we can determine the character of the timber. It costs no more to raise chesnut, which grows rapidly and is very valuable for timber, than to grow birch or poplar, which is worth little, except for firewood. In these same States, the census reveals a large increase in the valne of orchards and garden products a fact which shows that our landholders are concentrating their capital upon less land, and making it pay better An incidental advantage of this increase of forest is the increased value of that which is cultivated for farm crops. The tilled land is better shell tered from the winds. The climate is made more equable. The snow lielonger upon the ground in the winter and the winter grain comes out bright er in the spring, and yields more. It all our barren hilltops could be covered again with forests we should have more frequent showers in summer and the evils of drouth would be mitigated. ---

The Sun's Blessing.

Sieepless people-and they are many in America-should court the sun The very worst soporific is landanum and the very best sunshine. Therefore it is very plain that poor sleepers should pass as many hours in the day in sunshine, and as few as possible in

Many women are martyrs and yet do not know it. They shut the sunshine out of their houses and their hearts, they wear wails, they carry parasols, they do all possible to keep off the subtlest, and yet most potent, influence which is intended to give them strength and beauty and cheerfulness. Is it not time to change all this, and so get color and roses in our pale checks strength in our weak backs, and courage in our timid souls? The women of America are pale and delicate; they may be blooming and strong, and the sunlight will be a potent influence in this transformation. Will they not try it a year or two and oblige thous-· ands of admirers?

VEGETABLE GARDENS .- Keep the surface of the ground lightly but frequently stirred. Let not a single rain pass without working over the whole garden as soon as it is dry enough. A prolonged hoe is an admirable im plement for this purpose when weeds and grass have not been allowed to GOOD TERMS get a good start which should never be the case in a well kept establishment A garden thus attended to will require no more labor than one worked at long intervals for in the latter case the ground gets so hard and the grass so strong that a hand cannot work over more than half the space in a day that he can where it is frequently passed over and the soil kept clean.

Experience shows that the farmer who raises his wheat, mules and pork at home succeeds better than one who raises only cotton, or corn. This argument for mixed husbandry is equally strong for mixed industry, and the country that manufactures every article its soil and resources adapt it for is richer, more prosperous and more powerfu! than the one which confines its industry to the manufacture of but one article.

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